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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINN	<sub>VING</sub> 01/01/17	ID ENDING 12/31/	17
	MM/DD/YY		MM/DD/YY
A	. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION	ON	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: VAF	RIABLE INVESTMENT ADVIS	ORS, INC.	OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE O	F BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.	)	FIRM I.D. NO.
4305 SOUTH LOUISE AVE	NUE, SUITE 101A		
	(No. and Street)		
SIOUX FALLS	SD	571	06
(City)	(State)	(Zip Co	ode)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER GREGORY WILSON	OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGAR		5-361-8230
		(Area	Code - Telephone Number)
В.	ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATI	ON	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTA	ANT whose opinion is contained in this R	eport*	
HENJES, CONNER & WILL	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	(Name – tf individual, state last, first, midd	lle name)	,
P.O. BOX 1528	SIOUX CITY	IA	51102
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
CHECK ONE:			•
Certified Public Accounts	ant		
Public Accountant			•
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# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, GREGORY S. WILSON	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial s VARIABLE INVESTMENT ADVISORS, INC.	statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
of DECEMBER 31	, 20 17 , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, princ classified solely as that of a customer, except as follow	ipal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
N/A	
STEVEN G. WILSON Seal Notary Public South Dakota  Notary Public	Signature  GREGORY S. WILSON, CEO  Title
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<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

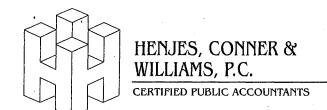
# VARIABLE INVESTMENT ADVISORS, INC.

**ANNUAL REPORTS** 

**DECEMBER 31, 2017** 

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholder and Directors Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. Sioux Falls, South Dakota

## Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of VARIABLE INVESTMENT ADVISORS, INC. (a South Dakota Corporation), as of December 31, 2017, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, cash flows, and changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors for the year then ended, and the related notes and schedules (collectively referred to as the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. as of December 31, 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

## **Supplemental Information**

The supplemental schedule on page 11 has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the supplemental schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Henjes, Conner & Williams, PC

Certified Public Accountants

We have served as Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s auditor since 2009.

Sioux City, Iowa February 16, 2018

Statement of Financial Condition
As of December 31, 2017

## **ASSETS**

		,	
Cash		\$	333,587
Accounts receivable			381
Commissions receivable	•		130,017
Accrued interest			758
Prepaid expenses			31,409
Office furniture and equipment at cost,			
less accumulated depreciation of \$112,844			27,825
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TOTAL ASSETS		\$	523,977
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LIABILITIES AND STOCK	HOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts payable		\$	960
Commissions payable		·	90,466
Accrued expenses			7,067
Deferred revenue	•		55,445
TOTAL LIABILITIES	•		153,938
Common stock; \$.01 par value, 400,000 share			
authorized; 366,700 issued and outstanding			3,667
Additional paid in capital			77,127
Retained earnings	•		289,245
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			370,039
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		\$	523,977
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Statement of Income
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

\$	224,39:
	804,55
	630,054
	758
	537,22
	4,60
	45,57
	2,247,16
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	2,17
	1,08
	7:
	1,23
	17,37
	6,37
	2,78
	86
.*	20,553
	11,153
	31,29
*	34,636
	4,195
	1,376,361
	30,176
	12,476
	197,850
	270,322
	22,426
	36,834
	2,079,463

Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital		Retained Earnings (Deficit)		Total Stockholders' Equity	
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$	3,667	\$	77,127	\$	297,673	\$	378,467
Net income		- -		-		167,698		167,698
Less distributions		-		<u> </u>		(176,126)		(176,126)
						ı		
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$	3,667	\$	77,127	\$	289,245	\$	370,039

# Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	\$	167,698
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net		
cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization		17,378
Loss on disposal of assets		86
Decrease accounts receivable		21,208
(Increase) commissions receivable		(69,933)
(Increase) accrued interest		(758)
Decrease prepaid expenses		2,050
(Decrease) accounts payable		(314)
Increase commissions payable		61,346
Increase accrued expenses		· •
Increase deferred revenue		29,100
Net cash provided by operating activities		227,861
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
		(2.407)
Acquisition of property & equipment		(2,407)
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,407)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Stockholder distributions		(176,126)
Net cash used in financing activities		(176,126)
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NET INCREASE IN CASH		49,328
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		284,259
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$	333,587
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Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Subordinated Liabilities as of December 31,2016		\$ -
Increase in Subordinated Liabilities Decrease in Subordinated Liabilities		<u>-</u>
Subordinated Liabilites as of December 31, 2017		\$ -

Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2017

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Nature of Operations**

The Company, located in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, sells mutual funds and variable and fixed insurance products. The Company accomplishes this goal through a small group of brokers located throughout the United States. The Company's customers are located throughout the United States. In 2002 the Company developed an Alternative trading system. This system is a web-based system that offers a computer-based service to companies and individuals for the purpose of matching buyers with sellers of capital units.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The Company follows accounting standards set by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, commonly referred to as the FASB. The FASB sets generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) that the Company follows to ensure we consistently report our financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows. References to GAAP issued by the FASB in these footnotes are to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification, sometimes referred to as the Codification or ASC.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Company receives commissions from selling mutual funds and variable and fixed insurance products. The commissions are reported as revenue and a receivable on a trade date basis. The Company also receives fees for the use of its Alternative Trading System (ATS). Annual fees that are received from companies participating in the (ATS) are initially recorded as deferred revenue and recognized as income over the life of the contract. Trading fees received from sellers are recognized as revenue and a receivable upon board approval of the participating companies whose capital units are being traded.

#### Commission Receivable

The Company considers commissions receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when the determination is made.

#### Statement of Cash Flows

For purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Company has defined cash equivalents as highly liquid investments, with original maturities of less than ninety days that are not held for sale in the ordinary course of business.

#### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment is carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and includes expenditures which substantially increase the useful lives of existing property and equipment. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2017

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

When property and equipment is retired or otherwise disposed of, the related costs and accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts and any gain or loss on the diposition is credited or charged to income.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the individual assets ranging from three to ten years.

#### Income Taxes

The Company, with the consent of its shareholders, has elected under the Internal Revenue Code to be an S corporation. In lieu of corporation income taxes the stockholders of an S corporation are taxed on their proportionate share of the Company's taxable income. Therefore, no provision or liability for federal income taxes has been included in the financial statements.

Management has concluded that uncertain tax positions would be the reponsibility of the stockholders. Accordingly the accompanying financial statements do not include any provision for uncertain tax positions, and no related interest or penalties have been recorded in the statement of income or accrued in the statement of financial condition.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 2. OPERATING LEASES

The Company leases its office space on a month-to-month basis. A total of \$18,534 was paid under the terms of two separate verbal leases during the year ended December 31, 2017.

Future minimum lease payments as of December 31, 2017 are \$1,220.

#### NOTE 3. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN

On April 1, 2011, the Company established a Simple IRA Plan for all employees. The plan provides for employer matching contributions. The Company's cost for the Plan contributions was \$12,476 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

#### NOTE 4. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

There were no outstanding commitments or contingencies as of December 31, 2017.

Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2017

#### NOTE 5. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c-3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital of \$5,000 and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1 (and the rule of the applicable exchange also provide that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividend paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2017, the Company had net Capital of \$287,503 The Company's percentage of aggregated indebtedness to net capital 53.54%

Management expects to make capital withdrawals during 2018 to facilitate payment of the shareholder's income tax due to the inclusion of company income on his personal return. At no time will the withdrawals cause the Company to be below statutory net capital requirements.

## NOTE 6. EXEMPTION

This Company is exempt from filing supporting schedules on the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements and Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements. This exemption is claimed under the provisions of SEC Rule 15c-3-3, Section (K)(1) limited business (Mutual funds and/or variable annuities only).

#### NOTE 7. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has evaluated all subsequent events through February 16, 2018, the date the financial statements were issued.

Computation of Net Capital As of December 31, 2017

## **NET CAPITAL**

Total Stockholder's Equity				\$	370,039
Deductions:					
Non-Allowable Assets:					
Accounts receivables		\$	1,138		
Commission receivables			19,163		
Prepaid expenses			31,410		•
Office furniture and equipment			27,825		79,536
Haircuts on Securities:					
Exempted securities			· ·		3,000
Net Capital				<u>\$</u>	287,503
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS					
Accounts payable				\$	960
Commission payable					90,466
Accrued expenses					7,067
Deferred revenue					55,445
Net Aggregate Indebtedness				\$	153,938
COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIRE	MENT				
Minimum net capital required				\$	10,263
Excess net capital				\$	277,240
Excess net capital at 10 percent of aggregate inc	debtedness			\$	272,109
Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net ca	pital				53.54%

The above calculations are based on Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. There are no material differences between the preceeding computation and the Company's corresponding unaudited Part II of Form X-17A-5, as of December 31, 2017.



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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholder and Directors of Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Exemption Report, in which (1) Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3(k)(1) "Limited Business (mutual funds and/or variable annuities only)" (the "exemption provisions") and (2) Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. stated that Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about Variable Investment Advisors, Inc.'s compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(1) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Menys, Conner, & Williams, PC
Certified Public Accountants

Sioux City, Iowa February 16, 2018

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December 31, 2017

US Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D.C. 20549

In Re: Broker Dealer Exemption Report for 2017 Audit

To Whom It May Concern:

The following statement identifies why, under provisions in paragraph (k) of SEC Rule 15c3-3, and under which a broker dealer may claim an exemption, Variable Investment Advisors, Inc. (VIA) meets the requirements under Rule 15c3-3(k)(1).

VIA does not trade as a broker or dealer, tor any customer, nor does it trade in its own account.

VIA does not hold funds or securities for, or owe money or securities to, customers.

VIA has no margin accounts or commodities transactions.

VIA at no time holds customer funds or securities, holds overnight balances, certificates of deposit, or money market deposits.

VIA is not an introducing broker dealer and VIA does only sales of investment company and annuity transactions on an application way, while accepting checks made payable only to the investment company or insurance company.

VIA has met the exemption for the year ending December 31, 2017.

Gregory 8. Wilson

President CEO